IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A system comprising:

an interface of a target application, the interface comprising a plurality of operations to be selected by a user, wherein the target application is an image forming device and the interface is an operation panel of the image forming device;

a monitoring unit configured to directly monitor user selections of the plurality of operations of the interface by the user automatically upon start-up of the target application without the user directly starting a monitoring program, and to generate a log of the monitored data, the log indicating the selections of the plurality of operations by the user;

a communicating device configured to communicate the log of the monitored data to a remote site.

Claims 2-4 (Canceled).

Claim 5 (Original): A system according to Claim 1, wherein the communicating device sends the log of the monitored data when the user exits the target application.

Claim 6 (Original): A system according to Claim 1, further comprising a setting unit configured to set a number of sessions of the target application to be executed by the user prior to the communicating device communicating the log of the monitored data.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): A system according to any one of Claims 1-6 1, 5, or 6, wherein the communicating device communicates the log of the monitored data by Internet mail.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): A system comprising:

interface means of a target application means, the interface means for providing a

plurality of operations to be selected by a user, wherein the target application means is an

image forming device and the interface means is an operation panel of the image forming

device;

monitoring means for directly monitoring user selections of the plurality of operations

of the interface means by the user automatically upon start-up of the target application means

without the user directly starting a monitoring program, and for generating a log of the

monitored data, the log indicating the selections of the plurality of operations by the user;

communicating mans for communicating the log of the monitored data to a remote

site.

Claims 9-11 (Canceled).

Claim 12 (Original): A system according to Claim 8, wherein the communicating

means sends the log of the monitored data when the user exits the target application means.

Claim 13 (Original): A system according to Claim 8, further comprising a setting

means for setting a number of sessions of the target application means to be executed by the

user prior to the communicating means communicating the log of the monitored data.

Claim 14 (Currently Amended): A system according to any one of Claims 8-13 8, 12,

or 13, wherein the communicating means communicates the log of the monitored data by

Internet mail.

Claim 15 (Currently Amended): A method of monitoring usage of an interface of a target application, the interface including a plurality of operations to be selected by a user, wherein the target application is an image forming device and the interface is an operation panel of the image forming device, comprising the steps of:

directly monitoring user selections of the plurality of operations of the interface by the user automatically upon start-up of the target application without the user directly starting a monitoring program;

generating a log of the monitored data, the log indicating the selections of the plurality of operations by the user; and

communicating the log of the monitored data to a remote site.

Claims 16-18 (Canceled).

Claim 19 (Original): A method according to Claim 15, wherein the communicating step sends the log of the monitored data when the user exits the target application.

Claim 20 (Original): A method according to Claim 15, further comprising a step of setting a number of sessions of the target application to be executed by the user prior to the communicating device communicating the log of the monitored data.

Claim 21 (Currently Amended): A method according to any one of Claims 15-20 15, 19, or 20, wherein the communicating step communicates the log of the monitored data by Internet mail.

Claim 22 (Currently Amended): A computer program product comprising:

a computer storage medium and a computer program code mechanism embedded in the computer storage medium for causing a computer to monitor a user's usage of an interface of a target application, the interface comprising a plurality of operations to be selected by a user, wherein the target application is an image forming device and the interface is an operation panel of the image forming device, comprising:

a first computer code device configured to directly monitor user selections of the plurality of operations of the interface by the user automatically upon start-up of the target application without the user directly starting a monitoring program, and configured to generate a log of the monitored data, the log indicating the selections of the plurality of operations by the user; and

a second computer code device configured to communicate the log of the monitored data to a remote site.

Claims 23-25 (Canceled).

Claim 26 (Original): A computer program product according to Claim 22, wherein the second computer code device is further configured to send the log of the monitored data when the user exits the target application.

Claim 27 (Original): A computer program product according to Claim 22, further comprising a third computer code device configured to set a number of sessions of the target application to be executed by the user prior to the second computer code device communicating the log of the monitored data.

Claim 28 (Currently Amended): A computer program product according to any one

of Claims ~~22-27~~ 22, 26, or 27, wherein the second computer code device is further configured

to communicate the log of the monitored data by Internet mail.